

Minutes of the Three Lakes Town Action Group (TAG) Plenary Session Meeting

Tuesday April 22, 2008 / Three Lakes Community Building

Present: Bob Curran, Ken & Kathy Klein, Mike Miller, Tom Rulseh, Don Sidlowski

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Don Sidlowski at 7:10 pm.
2. Report on Agenda Posting: Agenda was posted on 4/21/08 at the Town Office by Chairman Don Sidlowski
3. Agenda: Amendments and Approval. Agenda was amended by Sidlowski and approved on motion by Curran, second by Rulseh. Motion carried.
4. Minutes of March 25, 2008 Plenary Session Meeting. Minutes were reviewed but lacking a quorum of officers (three of five) approval was postponed to the next plenary meeting.
5. Review of TAG's Global Objectives from WS 66.1001
 - a. Four central themes: Tourism, Technology, Cultural Arts, and Agriculture.
 - b. Name brainstorming for possible new participants: Chuck Radtke, Dan Kossel, Nancy Bollmann, Bob & Melissa Werner, Aaron from Black Forest, Tom Wallschleager, Jim Koshuta, Gail Lovett, Scott Soder, Richard Fraser, Lee Klauk, Rosie & Jim Bartelt. It was agreed to extend invitations to each. Miller, Klein and Sidlowski will make the contacts.
6. Sub-Committee Timeline Review – tabled
7. Old Business
 - a. Oneida County and NCWRPC cooperation on plan development. Sidlowski explained that TAG may seek guidance from these entities as needed. A portion of the funds may be available from Oneida County to cover cost of such guidance. It may also be necessary to include such expenses under the TAG budget. Sidlowski reviewed status of other towns and counties with respect to the State-mandated comprehensive plan.
 - b. Sonic Net – Hoping to offer wireless broadband access to wide areas of Three Lakes but suggesting that we wait for imminent technology enhancement.
 - c. Wireless Solutions, Jim Weinmann – Hoping to erect a new tower in town. Working with Town Board and TAG on identifying best location. Initial discussion has focused on Don Burnside Park. Sidlowski reported that he has assured Parks Commission and Advisory Zoning Committee members that TAG's role is to act as a clearinghouse for new ideas. TAG will bring any initiatives that may affect other town commissions to them for review and final decisions are still theirs to make. Curran questioned need for another tower. Discussion followed about need for coverage on east side of town. Esthetics of tower could be function of tower design such as disguised as a tree.
8. New Business
 - a. TAG Website – Sidlowski explained that a website URL has been purchased with TAG funds and that his firm would both provide the initial design for the website as well as to host it at no cost to TAG, as had been discussed and agreed at TAG Officer Meeting. Officers will be able to upload content to the website.
 - b. Town Email – Sidlowski reported on volunteer work he did for the Town Clerk in setting up new email accounts for TAG officers and sub-committee chairs through the town's new email service as provided by Rolling Hills Domains. TAG officers and sub-committee chairs will be integrated on Town's email listings if so agreed by those TAG people who wish it.
9. Sub-Committee Reports

Land Use: Mike Miller, Chair – will be calling his committee together in next two weeks.

10. Executive Committee/Officer Reports

- a. CRO: Tom Rulseh – reported on signing of TAG Charter with Town Board as reported in News Review.
- b. Chairman: Don Sidlowski – commented on recent discussions with Town Chair and individual supervisors, all of which indicate a highly cooperative attitude toward strategic planning. Ongoing communication must be deliberately inclusive with all Town officials and citizens to assure best outcome from our efforts.
- c. Sidlowski also commented on the plan elements “Issues & Opportunities” and “Implementation” as being handled by the officers with the aim of not just meeting but exceeding the State mandate.
- d. Sidlowski also shared some ideas on the need to plan not only for here and now, for those working and living today in Three Lakes, but also for the Millennial Generation. Sidlowski noted that school children aged 15 today will be 27, many married and some even with young families, when the last elements of the first ten-years-worth of the comprehensive plan are being implemented in 2020. It is they that will benefit then from the actions we take now, so we must work this future thinking into the plan.
- e. Vice-Chairman Mike Kwaterski was not present.

11. Next Meeting: The next plenary session meeting was confirmed to be as usual the 4th Tuesday, May 27 at 7:00 pm in the Community Building.

12. Adjournment. There being no other business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.